

NORFOLK AND WESTERN

THE SEMI-ANNUAL DIVIDEND.

A Circular to the Shareholders Setting Forth the Terms of the Directors for Reducing the Dividend.

Philadelphia, Sept. 28.—The board of directors of the Norfolk and Western Railroad Company met at the office of the company, in this city, to-day and declared a semi-annual dividend on the preferred stock of one dollar per share, payable October 8th. The officials of the company announce that the dividend scrip will be exchanged for debenture bonds maturing in 1912 or earlier at the option of the company when presented in sums of \$500 to the secretary. These bonds will bear interest at 5 per cent, payable semi-annually.

A circular to the shareholders has been issued setting forth the terms of the directors for reducing the dividends. The circular states that the earnings of the road have been more than sufficient to pay the 1 per cent. dividend, but that in the opinion of the board the earnings should be used in paying for the construction now approaching completion.

The net earnings of the year ended June 30th, upon which the present dividend is based, were just about sufficient to pay 2 3/4 per cent. upon the preferred shares, or 1 1/4 per cent. on the preferred stock outstanding is \$43,000,000, so that the issue of the debenture bonds will amount to \$43,000,000. There was no question for the preferred stock today, but a block of scrip was offered privately at 90.

No Uncertain Sound from Crewe.

Crewe, Va., Sept. 28.—Special.—At 7 o'clock last night a large bonfire in front of Mann's Hall was the signal for the gathering of a mass-meeting of the citizens of Crewe to meet their representatives. The meeting was held in the hall, and was addressed by Mr. J. H. Mann, of the Fourth district, and Judge W. H. Mann.

Mr. George Mason, district chairman, Major R. B. Poore and other distinguished visitors were present and invited to seats on the stage.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. J. H. Mann, with appropriate remarks, who then introduced Judge W. H. Mann, who delivered one of the most forcible, clear and logical speeches on the issues of the campaign ever heard in Crewe. He began by saying that in his opinion the Force bill was the division of the power of the Republic between the Federal Government and the States.

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NO DANGER OF CHOLERA.

NEW YORK FREE OF THE PLAGUE.

No Cases in the City and No New Cases in Quarantine—Latest From the Epidemic in European Cities.

New York, Sept. 28.—The board of health posted its usual daily bulletin this morning stating that there had been no cases of cholera in this city since the 10th instant.

The Hamburg company's steamer Normania weighed anchor off upper quarantine at 10 A. M. to-day and steamed off for Southampton, carrying no cargo or passengers. Neither the Scandia, Rugia, Bohemia or Moravia, of the same line, which have had cholera aboard, will be allowed to land at their docks.

NO NEW CASES AT QUARANTINE.

Quarantine, S. I., Sept. 28.—The report to Dr. Jenkins from Swinburne Island, received at 10:40 this morning, reads: Condition of affairs greatly improved. No new cases and patients doing better. I hope to give you later still better news.

The White Star steamer Teutonic, which reached here at 6 o'clock this morning, made the passage in 5 days, 21 hours and 8 minutes. On the first day out the ship's chief cook, Joseph Gough, aged fifty-eight, died of heart failure. His body was brought to this port on an unusual occurrence, thereby to permit an autopsy for the board of health, and thus avoid detention under the possible fear that death might have been due to suspicious causes.

AT CAMP LOW.

Camp Low, Sept. 28.—Lieutenant Prochaska, of the United States marines, quartered in Camp Erben, was taken sick yesterday. The doctor this morning reports him suffering from typhoid fever. He will probably be removed to the naval hospital, New York.

Everything here is in readiness for the reception of passengers from the quarantined ships, but nothing has been heard from Dr. Jenkins as to his plans relative to the situation.

More Cholera Cases.

Lynn, Mass., Sept. 28.—It has been decided that Mrs. Freeman, the cholera suspect, is suffering from other causes. She is improving.

Benton Harbor, Mich., Sept. 28.—Excitement exists here over a rumor started by Dr. Jenkins, of the United States marines, that he has been ordered to leave the town. The rumor is that he has been ordered to leave the town because of his conduct in the cholera cases.

THE PLAGUE ABROAD.

The Epidemic Declining in the Russian Empire—Other Places.

Paris, Sept. 28.—Three cases of sickness, called cholera, were reported at Cherbourg yesterday. Cherbourg is the new port of arrival from and departure for New York of the General Transatlantic Line Steamship Company, the change having been made on account of the cholera in Havre.

London, Sept. 28.—A dispatch to the Standard from Vienna says that placards have been posted at Cracow that there have been no cases of cholera there in five days, and other places in Austria make favorable reports as to the decline of the cholera.

THE CHOLERA IN AUSTRIA.

Amsterdam, Sept. 28.—Another occupant of the hotel from which a commercial traveler suffering with cholera was removed on Saturday has been stricken with the disease.

Berlin, Sept. 28.—Seventeen persons are in the hospital at Charlottenburg down with Asiatic cholera, but all the cases are said to be slight.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 28.—There were eighteen new cases and three deaths from cholera yesterday in this city. The epidemic is declining throughout the empire.

The cholera is spreading in the seaport of Regia, Province of Livonia, three and a half miles from St. Petersburg.

Hamburg, Sept. 28.—Forty-nine new cases of cholera and thirty deaths occurred from the disease in this city yesterday.

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GREAT DEMOCRATIC RALLY.

Forty Thousand People Listen to Distinguished Speakers.

Shelbyville, Ind., Sept. 28.—The great Democratic barbecue to-day brought over 40,000 people from this and surrounding counties into the city. Hon. A. E. Stevenson, who arrived here from Cincinnati at noon, was the principal speaker of the day. Eight speakers' stands had been erected, and all of them were occupied at the same time. The other speakers were Senator Turpie, Congressman Hyman, Indiana, Congressman Warner of New York, General John C. Black, ex-Governor Gray, Hon. Lawrence T. Neal of Ohio, Hon. James A. McKenzie of Kentucky, Claude Matthews, candidate for Governor; Congressman Holman and a dozen other representative Democrats of the country.

The day so overrun with thieves, gamblers and pickpockets that the marshal has appealed to Chief Colbert, at Indianapolis, for assistance in giving protection. The pickpockets reaped a rich harvest on the incoming trains.

CHAIRMAN HARRY RETURNS

In Time to Hold a Very Enthusiastic Meeting of the Committee.

New York, Sept. 28.—Chairman Harry, of the Democratic National Committee, got back to headquarters this morning from Pennsylvania in time to attend the most enthusiastic meeting of the campaign committee held since the opening of the campaign. Nearly all the members of the committee were present.

The principal business before the meeting was the discussion of the local situation in this city, which has been greatly complicated by the action of the anti-snappers in their recent meeting. The committee appointed at that meeting to confer with the National campaign committee. Its mission is to ask the committee to endorse their plan to run a local ticket in opposition to the regular Democratic nominations made by Tammany Hall. It is said that the committee is opposed to a bolting local ticket; that the nomination of a third ticket would be ill-advised and would seriously complicate the situation.

REPUBLICAN RALLY.

Tom Platt Makes His First Speech for Harrison.

New York, Sept. 28.—The first big Republican meeting was held to-night at Cooper Union.

The speakers arrived about 8:30 o'clock, escorted by the Lincoln Pioneer Corps of the Eighth assembly district. Their reception was most enthusiastic. Mr. Dewey entered first, followed by Mr. Reid, Mr. Miller, Mr. Platt, Marshall and Cobb, William Brookfield, Eliza Root, and other notable men in the party.

As soon as they were seated Mr. Brookfield, chairman of the Republican State committee, stepped to the front and introduced as special guest officer Hon. Thomas H. Platt. Mr. Platt was received with applause.

Mr. Platt, after the applause had subsided, thanked them for the kind reception, and said he must protest against being stigmatized as a prodigal son. He was a Republican, and never intended to be anything else, and he referred to the lively contest which occurred at the last convention between the friends of the different aspirants for the presidential nomination, and continuing, said: "The Republicans who supported the different candidates at Minneapolis have nothing for which to apologize. Any one of them is qualified to rule this nation in the darkest hour of its trial, or in the golden day of its prosperity. But a majority of the convention decided that he who four years ago rescued the nation from Democratic misrule, who during the time of his incumbency had so faithfully borne the Republican standard, and whose administration had so signally promoted national prosperity, should lead us again to victory, and Benjamin Harrison, of Indiana, became the Republican nominee." (Applause.)

Most of Them Were Negroes.

Wake Forest, N. C., Sept. 28.—Special.—This afternoon a procession of about twenty-five wagons, containing something over one hundred Third party men, passed through Wake Forest on their way to Raleigh to hear their leader speak to-morrow. Half the party were negroes, and most of them from Vance county.

Young Swells Arrested.

Philadelphia, Sept. 28.—F. Theodore Walton, son of the well-known hotel proprietor of the same name, and Frank H. Hoyt, said to be son of ex-Governor Hoyt, were arrested last night charged with conspiring and enticing a man for the purpose of gambling and with getting from him \$500 in cash and checks.

In Hoyt's room detectives found a French roulette wheel, with a cloth, also a number of cards, craps, and other gambling paraphernalia. The men were held for trial.

Pat Egan Coming.

Washington, Sept. 28.—Hon. Patrick Egan, United States Minister to Chile, called from Colon for New York yesterday on the Pacific mail steamer Newport. Out of courtesy to the distinguished passenger, the local authorities shortened the period of quarantine two days. The Newport is expected to arrive in New York next Sunday. Mr. Egan is expected to come at once to Washington for a conference with the President and Secretary of State Foster.

A Catholic Letter.

WINNIPES, Sept. 28.—A letter for the purpose of defining the practice and teaching of the church of Rome in regard to allowing comment in the public schools on Scripture readings has been issued by Archbishop Tache. The letter is designed to settle the controversy now going on here. The archbishop states that the "Catholic Church, having been the sole interpreter, forbids the interpretation according to private judgment."

Charged With Forgery.

London, Sept. 28.—Dr. Arns Charles Scott Sanders, late manager of the Lyric Club, was committed for trial to-day on the charge of having forged the signature of the Earl of Londesborough on a check for 3,773 pounds. He is charged with having forged the entire proceeds of the alleged forgery to the maintenance of the Lyric Club, in which he had himself sunk 9,000 pounds.

The Editor Killed Him.

JACKSON, Miss., Sept. 28.—J. K. Alman, editor of the Durant and Day, was murdered yesterday. Hamilton, while drunk, went into Alman's office and used violent language and was ejected. He returned and attacked the editor with a brick. Alman drew his pen-knife and stabbed him about the neck, killing him.

The New Naval Vessels.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 28.—The proposals for the two new naval vessels, authorized by the act of Congress of July 19, 1892, have been prepared by the Navy Department, and bids for their construction will be opened December 15th. The vessels are ordered on the coast, battleship or cruiser of 8,000 tons displacement and one armored cruiser of 8,000 tons displacement.

Alleged It, But Didn't Prove It.

CHICAGO, Sept. 28.—A. M. Day, of the firm of Counselman & Day, was suspended for thirty days by the board of trade directors this afternoon for alleging and declining to prove that the firm of Norton & Worthington had been trading in puts and calls, which practice is contrary to the rules of the board and laws of the State.

The Watertown Burned.

Boston, Sept. 28.—The steamer Watertown which plies between Boston and Lynn and other ports on the north shore was burned in the Shirely (at this morning, together with a full cargo of merchandise. Her passengers and crew were taken off in safety. The vessel and cargo is insured.

Senator Mills Sick.

CORPUS, Tex., Sept. 28.—Senator Mills, of Texas, has been taken sick. His physicians do not pronounce his condition serious and ascribe it to overwork and the grip.

Wise and Pollard at West Point.

West Point, Va., Sept. 28.—[Special.]—An unusually large crowd attended King William Courthouse yesterday. Many were attracted by the previous announcement that Mr. H. R. Pollard would speak on the issues of the campaign. The gentlemen introduced by Hon. George L. Wise, and made one of the strongest speeches ever heard by our citizens. Mr. Wise, too, was at his best, and the crowd went home to vote the Democratic ticket. Mr. Grant was on hand, but having only one of his party present, did not speak.

Telegraphic Brevities.

A cloudburst visited Brunswick, Ga., Tuesday damaging property worth \$20,000. Many streets were inundated.

A portion of the large works of the Singer Manufacturing Company at Elizabethport, N. J., was destroyed by fire yesterday. Three locomotives and a number of freight and coal cars were also burned. Loss, \$150,000. No insurance.

Ex-Judge Theodore W. Barnett, of Indiana, died suddenly of apoplexy at 1 o'clock yesterday morning in his room at the Sinclair House, New York. He was eighty-nine years old and well known all over the country.

William M. Richards, of New York, president of the Fidelity and Casualty Insurance Company, died suddenly of a heart attack, Tuesday night while crossing to Jersey City. Mr. Richards was seventy-four years of age and leaves a widow and ten children.

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NANCY HANKS IN 2:04.

LIGHT-HARNESS RECORD BROKEN.

Lowers the Trotting Time by Three Seconds and the Pacing One and a Quarter Seconds—The Other Races.

Terre Haute, Ind., Sept. 28.—The world's record for the light harness horse, either trotting or pacing, was lowered to-day when Nancy Hanks trotted the mile in 2:04. The ten thousand people who saw it sat breathless for a moment after the little mare passed under the wire, and even Doble, always modest of speech, declared when carried to the judges' stand on the shoulders of the crowd and called upon for a speech, that he was hoarse and "Nancy Hanks went so fast it took my breath away."

It was about 4:30 o'clock when Starting Judge Walker announced that Nancy Hanks would go to beat her record of 2:07 made over the regulation track at St. Paul.

THE START.

The daughter of Happy Medium had been worked two miles in 2:36 and 2:25, respectively, earlier in the afternoon. The runner, Abe Lincoln, stood opposite the flag while Nancy was taken well up the stretch for the start. Coming like a whirlwind down the stretch, she was at her wheel, and Doble nodded for the word. The clip was a terrific one. She was at the eighth in 15 1/2 seconds, and at the first quarter in 31 3/4 seconds. The second and "up hill" quarter was done in 31 3/4 seconds, the half being reached in 1:02 3/4. The excited crowd began to cheer, but at a word of admonition from the judge, lapsed into silence. This was only broken by murmured, "Oh," when the third quarter was made in 2:04 3/4 seconds.

Even the judges were appalled at the wonderful burst of speed, and thought the mare was running away. So fast did she come that no one could tell her gait. On she flew, and into the stretch, never faltering, Doble with his steady hand, and clicking gentle "whoas" to keep her steady, spurred her away for the great flight home. Even her light hoof beats sounded loud to the silent crowd.

THE FINAL EFFORT.

As Doble gathered her for the final effort he touched her gently with the whip, gave two of those masterful lifts of his, and the world's record, either pace or trot, was lowered one and one-quarter seconds, and the record for regulation track three seconds. The excitement over the country. He wired Mr. Bonner: "Nancy Hanks 2:04 over a regulation track." This is a gentle hint that the owner of Maud S. and Samol can present him the \$5,000 offered for the first horse to trot a mile in 2:05 over a regulation track.

WHAT DOBLE SAYS.

Mr. Doble said this evening that too much credit could not be given to Nancy Hanks, who brought out Hanks and gave her her first race record. "The more I see of her," he added, "and the longer I handle her the more credit I give her. The little mare is of sweet disposition, but easily spoiled, and I feel proud to know that she should first have gone to the hands of a man who knew just how to handle her."

He was questioned about the great mile to-day, and asked if he thought Hanks had reached her limit. He said that the track was just right, the mare was just right and the driver was so himself. As to the possibilities of Hanks lowering her record, he thought that as she is only six years old, she would train on six next year and be even a better mare than now. The official is: To beat 2:07, Nancy Hanks, by Happy Medium, dam Nancy Lee (Doble), 1. Time, 1:02 3/4, 1:02 3/4, 2:04.

The Trotting Races.

Baltimore, Md., Sept. 28, 1892. HE Pindock entries for the fall meeting, which begins next week, closed to-day with one hundred and ninety subscribers, a larger number than ever heretofore named in any Southern meeting.

The races at the Greenleaf Driving Track to-day resulted as follows: Two-twenty-four class, trotting, purse \$500—Trotted 1, 1, 1; Calhoun 2, 2, 3; Judge Fisher 5, 5, 5; Kilds 3, 4; Hero 4, 5, 5; Time, 2:27, 2:27, 2:27 1/2.

Two-thirty class, trotting, purse \$500—Ollie B. 2, 1, 1; Monocacy 1, 2, 9, 5; Fannie Miller 6, 7, 2; Charlie Dickens 3, 4, 3; Comet 5, 3, 3, 10; Bobb Truitt 4, 8, 5, 7; Edith Almont 8, 11, 11, 4; Nellie Southern 7, 5, 8; Cartridge 10, 6, 7, 8; Three Tips 9, 10, 6, 9; Sash 11, 10, 11; Roscoe C. dis. Time, 2:29 1/2, 2:29 1/2, 2:27, 2:26.

THE TROTS AT TRENTON.

Trenton, N. J., Sept. 28.—Thirty thousand people attended the Interstate Fair to-day. The exhibition building was thronged and the racing was fine. Summaries: Two-twenty-nine class, trotting, purse \$500—Full Prince 1, 1, 1; Mamie B. 8, 3, 2; Miss Hunter 2, 9, 4; Corna 6, 2, 5; Mollie W. 4, 5, 3; Daisy C. 4, 3, 7; Millen 5, 8, 9; Billy 7, 7, 6; Bells 8, 9, 8, 6. Time, 2:25 1/2, 2:25 1/2, 2:24 1/2.

Two-thirty-four class, trotting, purse \$400

—Queerly 1, 2, 1, 1; Edgewood 3, 1, 2, 2; Charlie C. 2, 4, 3, 3; Sautie 4, 3, 3, 4; Roser 5, 5, 3, dis. Time, 2:25 1/2, 2:25 1/2, 2:24 1/2, 2:26 1/2.

Special class trotting purse \$800, free for all—Sadie M. 1, 1, 1; Cypress 2, 2, 2; Colonel Walker 3, 3, 3; Colonel Kipp 4, 4, 4. Time, 2:29, 2:28 1/2, 2:29.

The free-for-all was substituted for the 2:18 trotting class, which did not fill, and was therefore declared off by the judges.

The Running Races.

New York, Sept. 28.—The results at Gravesend to-day are as follows: First race, three-quarters of a mile—Chick first, Friese second, Prince George third. Time, 1:10 1/2.

Second race, three-quarters of a mile—Stalacite second, Fagot third. Time, 1:43 1/2.

Sixth race, five and a half furlongs—Sport first, Maud Marion second, Fitzsimmons third. Time, 1:00 1/2.

Logan first, Ray second, Chatham third.

Time, 1:10. Fifth race, six and a quarter furlongs—Leo Brigid first, Daisy Woodruff second, Arthur Davis third. Time, 1:21.

Sixth race, four and a half furlongs—Key-stone first, Freylander second, Vance third. Time, 56 1/2.

LATONIA.

First race, three-quarters of a mile—Emma Louise first, Yashti second, Carus third. Time, 1:10 1/2.

Second race, mile and seventy yards—Paradise first, Tom Tough second, Bessie Island third. Time, 1:42 1/2.

Third race, mile and a sixteenth—Sir Charles first, Senator Morrill second, Ear-nest third. Time, 1:10 1/2.

Fourth race, five-eighths of a mile—Golda first, Miss Mosely second, Foreman third. Time, 1:01.

Fifth race, nine-sixteenths of a mile—Yon-linden first, Pearsall second, Queen Isabella third. Time, 57 1/2.

Sixth race, three-quarters of a mile—Londie B. first, Rorka second, Portuguese third. Time, 1:13 1/2.

BROOKLYN TAKES A DROP.

Bostons and Cleveands Both Win—Results of the Other Games.

At Boston: R. B. H. E. Boston.....5 2 0 0 0 1 1 0—9 13 3 Brooklyn.....0 2 0 1 2 1 0 2—8 12 3 Batteries: Staley, Stetvits and Gansel, Kennedy and Kinslow. Umpire, Burns. Game called at the end of the eighth inning on account of darkness.

At Baltimore: R. B. H. E. Baltimore.....0 1 0 0 0 0 0 1—2 3 10 New York.....2 7 0 0 0 0 1 3—14 13 3 Batteries: Vickory and Robinson; Huste and Boyle. Umpire, McCullar.

At Cincinnati: R. B. H. E. Cincinnati.....1 0 0 3 1 0 0 0—5 9 4 Cleveands.....1 3 0 5 0 0 0 0—9 15 2 Batteries: Meekin and Vaughan; Durb and Murphy; Clarkson and Zimmer. Umpire, Gaffney.

At Washington: R. B. H. E. Philadelphia 1 1 2 3 0 0 4 0—11 14 2 Washington 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—1 8 5 Batteries: Weyhing and Clements; Abley and McGuire. Umpire, Lynch.

At Louisville: R. B. H. E. Louisville.....0 0 0 2 0 0 2 0—4 8 2 Chicago.....2 3 0 0 0 0 0 0—5 9 0 Batteries: Sander and Merritt; Hutchison and Kirtledge. Umpire, Snyder.

(Second game): R. B. H. E. Louisville.....0 0 0 2 0 0 3 0—5 5 1 Chicago.....2 0 0 1 0 0 0 0—3 10 3 Batteries: Stratton and Merritt; Hutchison and Kirtledge. Umpires, Gilm and Gumbert. Called on account of darkness.

At St. Louis: R. B. H. E. St. Louis.....2 0 0 0 0 0 0—2 3 8 Pittsburg.....2 4 0 0 0 2 2—10 10 Batteries: Hawley, Buckley and Briggs; Torry and Mack. Umpire, McQuade. Game called on account of darkness.

HOW THE CLUBS STAND.

Won. Lost. Av. Won. Lost. Av. Cleveland.....41 17 70 Cincinnati.....31 31 49 Boston.....39 24 40 Chicago.....39 35 47 Pittsburg.....28 38 33 Louisville.....27 35 43 New York.....28 38 33 Baltimore.....25 39 34 Brooklyn.....25 39 34 Philadelphia.....22 31 40 Washington.....21 42 33

GAMES SCHEDULED FOR TO-DAY.

Philadelphia at New York. Cleveands at St. Louis. Pittsburgs at Louisville. Baltimores at Brooklyn. Washingtons at Boston. Chicagos at Cincinnati.

It Looks Like Murder Now.

DUNSMITH, Sept. 28.—It is now strongly hinted that Mr. J. H. Wicks, who is supposed to have been killed by a fall from the window of a disorderly house, was murdered. His friends say he had \$600 in cash in his pockets when he entered the house, but no trace of the money has been found. Detectives will probe the case to the bottom.